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CORRESPONDENCE

ACUTE TUBULAR NECROSIS AND DENGUE

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Sir,

The recent article on “acute tubular necrosis and dengue” is very interesting². REPIZO *et al.* concluded that “serum creatine phosphokinase should be monitored in DF patients to allow for an early diagnosis of rhabdomyolysis and the institution of renal protective measures²”. In fact, the renal complication of dengue is not rare and it should be kept in mind for all practitioners⁵. The renal problem in dengue can be seen in either hemorrhagic or non-hemorrhagic cases¹. The underlying etiology of renal failure is believed to be due to the poor fluid management of the infected cases⁴. The strong clinical relationship with fatality can be seen in such cases. The immunopathology seems to have little role in induction of acute tubular necrosis³. The patient with a previous renal problem has a greater risk to develop renal failure. A careful follow-up of the fluid replacement therapy is the key factor for success in control and prevention of acute renal episode in dengue patients.

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